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The report of the Fisheries Committee and its recommendations.

* 266 Q.—Mr. J. A. Saldanha: Will the hon. the Minister for Development be pleased—

(*a*) to place before the Council the report of the Fisheries Committee and its recommendations; and

(*b*) to state the orders passed thereon?

A.—(*a*) The report was received a few days back. Twelve copies of the report will shortly be placed in the Council Library for the use of the hon. Members.

(*b*) The report is under consideration.

Mr. J. A. Saldanha:—"With reference to answer (*a*), may I know why only twelve copies will be placed in the Council Library, why all the Members of the Council will not be supplied, and why it will not be placed on the Editors' Table?"

The hon. Mr. M. R. Seturatnam Ayyar:—"The report has not been scrutinized by the Government. To enable Members to peruse the report, twelve copies will be placed in the Council Library now; as soon as the Government pass orders, the report will be placed at the disposal of the Press."

Industries

Rules regarding aid under the State Aid to Industries Act.

* 267 Q.—Mr. G. Harisarvottama Rao: Will the hon. the Minister for Development be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether rules have been framed in regard to the giving of aid to cottage industries under the State Aid to Industries Act; and

(*b*) if so, whether he will be pleased to place them on the table of the House?

A.—(*a*) & (*b*) The rules were placed on the table of the House in March last.

Mr. G. Harisarvottama Rao:—"May I know whether the definition of the words 'cottage industries' is under the consideration of the Government?"

The hon. Mr. M. R. Seturatnam Ayyar:—"The matter will be looked into by the committee proposed to be appointed"

Recommendations of the Conference on Textile Industry.

* 268 Q.—Mr. G. Harisarvottama Rao: Will the hon. the Minister for Development be pleased to state—

(*a*) what the recommendations of the conference to enquire into the textile industry in the Presidency are;

(*b*) whether there is any recommendation regarding hand-spinning and if so, what it is; and

(*c*) whether he proposes to order the investigation of the industry of hand-spinning in all its aspects, including its possibilities as a supplementary avocation for the ryot?

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A.—(*a*) & (*b*) The attention of the hon. Member is invited to G.O. No. 509, Development, dated 22nd March 1929, which was placed on the table of the House.

(*c*) The possibilities of the industry have been investigated by the special officer engaged on the survey of cottage industries and the results of the enquiry have been embodied in the various district reports and in the final report which have been placed on the table of the House.

Mr. G. HARISARVOTTAMA RAO:—" My attention is invited to G.O. No. 509, dated 22nd March 1929, which is said to have been placed on the table of the House. I went through the proceedings of the 22nd March. I find it is not published there. May I know if there has been any mistake?"

The hon. Mr. M. R. SETURATNAM AYYAR:—"It was published along with the proceedings of the last meeting day in March."

General educational qualifications of the Deputy Director of Industries.

*269 Q.—Dr. B. S. MALLAYYA: Will the hon. the Minister for Development be pleased to state—

(*a*) the general educational qualifications of the Deputy Director of Industries;

(*b*) whether he holds any degree or diploma in mechanical engineering of any recognized University;

(*c*) whether he has passed any of the Vernacular tests and also Accounts test;

(*d*) why he has not passed the usual medical examination before he was confirmed;

(*e*) why the post of Deputy Director has been recently declared non-votable when the Accountant-General declared him as votable;

(*f*) what are the industrial concerns started by the Deputy Director during the last ten years which have proved successful;

(*g*) whether the hon. Minister will be pleased to place on the table a statement indicating the tours the Deputy Director has undertaken in the districts during the last ten years, the names of places visited, the number of days halted and the reasons for the tours and the number of conferences held by him for organizing the various cottage industries; and

(*h*) what are the specific duties assigned to the Deputy Director and what is the work now carried out by him?

A.—(*a*) The Deputy Director of Industries was educated at the Taunton School, Southampton, and the Lincoln Technical School and served a full period of apprenticeship with Messrs. Ruston Proctor, a firm of very large manufacturers in England;

(*b*) No, but he is a member of the Institution of Engineers (India); holds advanced certificates of the Board of Education for Machine construction and drawing, Heat Engines and Applied Mechanics (materials and structures) and the Mechanical Engineering Certificates of the City and Guilds, London Institute (both grades); he is also a Fellow of the Royal Society of Arts, of the Royal Statistical Society and of the Royal Economic Society.